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| REMOTE ACCESS SYSTEM             | ) |                             |
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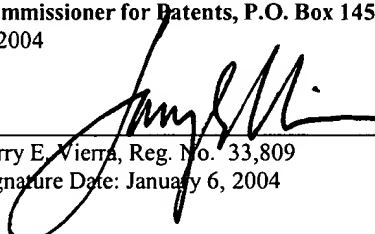
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**RESPONSE A TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

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This RESPONSE is in reply to the Office Action mailed August 6, 2003.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this Response.